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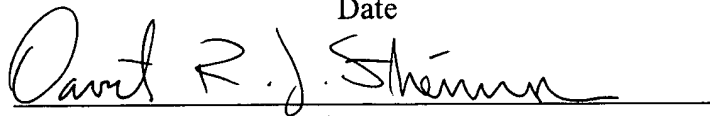
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United States Patents

<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
3,482,508	Bajcar et al.	12-09-1969
3,779,034	Morgan	12-18-1973
3,824,918	Bronkhorst	07-23-1974
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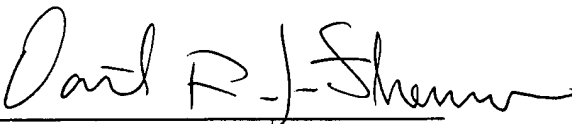
Foreign Patent Documents

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EP	0 009 279	Gasbjerg	02-04-1980

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Respectfully submitted,

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